

Our Mission and Vision

The mission of Seminole Trails Elementary School is to provide a safe, nurturing environment where diversity is celebrated, mutual respect among adults and children is practiced, and parents and care-givers are seen as valued partners in establishing the foundations of academics and life-long learning.



Kindergarten Round-up

May 4, 2017—8:30-9:30am

Tours

Call Bruce Saulter, Assistant Principal
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**Seminole Trails
Elementary School**

**Knowledge
is power.**



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Seminole Trails—Home of the Panthers, an AVID Elementary School

What is AVID?

AVID, Advancement Via Individual Determination, is a philosophy and a foundational component of the AVID College Readiness System: Hold students accountable to the highest standards, provide academic and social support, and they will rise to the challenge. Writing to Learn, Inquiry, Collaboration, Organization, Reading to Learn (WICOR) are the focus of instruction in the AVID Elementary classroom. With a growth mindset AVID students succeed in following their dreams, all the way from elementary school to college.

AVID Activities

- ◇ Student Success Week
- ◇ College Gear Day / Career Dress Day
- ◇ Research on FL universities and colleges
- ◇ College Research Project & Campus Door Tour
- ◇ Career presentations by local professionals, community members, and parents
- ◇ Motivational presentations
- ◇ Middle School Choice Programs Night
- ◇ AVID Awareness Day
- ◇ College Signing Day
- ◇ AVID Moving Up Day
- ◇ 5th grade fieldtrip to FAU, PBSC
- ◇ Middle & high school AVID student mentoring
- ◇ Socratic seminars
- ◇ Student experience with organizational skills (agendas, time management, goal-setting, note-taking), resume writing and college planning

What Do Students Say?

AVID helped me become a better student by...

- ◆ making me work harder.
- ◆ not being afraid to ask questions.
- ◆ if I make a mistake I have to keep trying
- ◆ using my notes for home learning
- ◆ teaching me how to be organized and take notes.

My favorite activity was

- ◆ getting the tour to look at the different colleges
- ◆ College Signing Day
- ◆ Inner/Outer Circle

If I could tell a friend about AVID I'd say.....

- ◆ I love it, it is very helpful to me; it will always be with me.
- ◆ it's good for you, it challenges your brain, motivates you to be better and achieve new goals.
- ◆ AVID helps you have confidence and get ready for hard things.
- ◆ this is a phenomenal, engrossing, and intriguing program that could change your life. This program has helped interest and educate me on many things. If it was my say, I'd make sure that everyone has AVID in their life!
- ◆ combined with a normal class. Trust me it helps you a lot!
- ◆ it helped me through the whole entire year, and I would like to keep AVID all my life!
- ◆ it inspires me!



Highlights

- ◇ AVID certified Showcase school
- ◇ AVID school-wide implementation
- ◇ AVID District Leadership training site
- ◇ AVID Professional Learning Workshop site
- ◇ Former AVID tutor now STES teacher
- ◇ TeamWork USA Elementary Scholarship Program (five \$1000 awards/yr)

Teachers Talk

If I could tell a colleague about AVID, I'd say, ...

- ◇ it prepares students for real life.
- ◇ AVID has transformed the way students think and has jumpstarted their interest in college.
- ◇ there is nothing like watching your children actually believe in themselves.
- ◇ AVID has been such a positive influence and force in our school. I love it!

